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EDITORIALS*

SIXTIETH ANNUAL SESSION OF CALIFOR-NIA MEDICAL ASSOCIATION CONVENES AT HOTEL FAIRMONT, SAN FRAN-CISCO, APRIL 27-30, 1931

High Points in the Career of the California Medical Association.—On March 12 in the year 1856, at Sacramento, under the presidency of the late Dr. B. F. Keene of El Dorado, the California Medical Association under its then name of "Medical Society of the State of California," came into existence.

During the Civil War its organization work lapsed, but in 1870, under the presidency of the late Dr. T. M. Logan of Sacramento, the society again came into active existence, holding its meeting that year in the city of San Francisco.

In 1924, in order to conform to the usage of other state units of the American Medical Association, the Medical Society of the State of California changed its name to "California Medical Association," and since then has been known by that name.

The 1931 Annual Session Will Convene in San Francisco.—Commencing Monday, April 27, 1931, through Thursday, April 30, the California Medical Association will hold its sixtieth annual session, with headquarters at the Hotel Fairmont, San Francisco.

The official notice, with hotel rates, was printed on page 129 of the last month's number of CALI-FORNIA AND WESTERN MEDICINE. It was therein stated that it was desirable to make hotel reservation as promptly as possible.

Complete Scientific and Other Programs in April California and Western Medicine.—In the next month's issue of California and West-ERN MEDICINE the usual special presentation of this prospective annual session will be printed, with full details concerning scientific program, business sessions, entertainment and other features. It may be proper to state at this time that the chief departure from last year's annual session at the Hotel Del Monte will be the institution of clinics which will be concentrated on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings, at the Medical Schools of the Universities of California and Stanford.

Hotel Reservations Should Be Made Now .-This preliminary notice is printed because so often members who attend find themselves seriously inconvenienced by not having made hotel reservations in ample time.

This sixtieth annual session at San Francisco gives promise of being one of the most notable annual get-together reunions which the members of this great California Medical Association have ever had.

Attendance at Annual Sessions of Great Value, —It is again urged that members of the California Medical Association who are not in the habit of attending these annual sessions, make an opportunity to do so. There has never been a time when there was so much need of members of the medical profession meeting one another and discussing with one another personally their mutual problems at the present time.

San Francisco and the Bay Region offer means and facilities without end, so that every moment of the time away from home can be most profitably and enjoyably spent according to the mood of each individual. So once again let us all strive to make this sixtieth annual session at San Francisco not only an outstanding session because of the high character of its scientific and other work; but also because of a larger attendance than has ever before been registered at an annual session, and because of the development of a good fellowship spirit that will make for a better understanding of the problems which confront the medical profession.

CRUDE INHERITANCES STILL EXIST IN CALIFORNIA'S LUNACY LAWS—CERTAIN REVISIONS ARE MUCH NEEDED

The Special Article by Hunter in This Number of California and Western Medicine.— Among the special articles of this number of CALIFORNIA AND WESTERN MEDICINE is one by Dr. George G. Hunter of Los Angeles. The

^{*}Editorials on subjects of scientific and clinical interest, contributed by members of the California Medical Association, are printed in the Medicine Today column which follows.